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September 21, 2015

To: Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, Mayor
Supervisor Hilda Solis
Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas
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From:

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION ON A WRITTEN REPORT WITH OPTIONS TO
INCREASE SMALL BUSINESS, SOCIAL ENTERPRISE, AND DISABLED VETERAN
OWNED BUSINESS UTILIZATION IN COUNTY PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING
(ITEM NO. 6, AGENDA OF JULY 7, 2015)**

On July 7, 2015, a motion by Supervisors Ridley-Thomas and Solis directed the Director of Consumer and Business Affairs, in consultation with the Interim Chief Executive Officer and other relevant departments, to assess and report back in writing in 90 days with options which could increase small business, social enterprise, and disabled veteran owned business utilization in County purchasing and contracting.

The report back also directed the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs to respond with a timeline and resources required for implementing a County-wide procurement goal of 25% for local small businesses and 3% for disabled veteran owned businesses with an effective target date of July 1, 2016, for full implementation. Your Board also asked for a recommendation on adopting a County procurement goal for social enterprises.

Further, the report back requested the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) to propose a standardized and broad-based definition of non-profit and for-profit firms that can be defined as a "social enterprise."

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Current Activities

DCBA convened a Countywide work group, consisting of representatives from the Chief Executive Office, County Counsel, Auditor- Controller, the Internal Services Department, Public Works, Public Social Services and Community and Senior Services to review the County's existing purchasing and contracting opportunities for small businesses located within the County.

The work group has been meeting regularly to evaluate proposed methods to increase small business, social enterprise, and disabled veteran owned business utilization in County purchasing and contracting, and what would be needed to reach a Countywide procurement goal of 25% for local small businesses and 3% for disabled veteran owned businesses.

Next Steps

DCBA respectfully requests an additional 30 days to complete a detailed and comprehensive response to the Board's directives. As such, we are requesting an extension until November 6, 2015, to submit our recommendations to your Board.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (213) 974-9750 or via email at bstiger@dcba.lacounty.gov.

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c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

